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SUBJECT: POST RELATIONSHIP WITH AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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1. REF. B DESCRIBES THIS EMBASSY'S HAPPY RELATIONSHIP
WITH LOCAL AMERICAN CHAMBER.

2. FOLLOWING ARE SOME OF THE THINGS WE DO THAT FURTHER
THAT RELATIONSHIP: THE AMBASSADOR HOLDS A MONTHLY MEET-
TING WITH THE ACCJ BOARD AT THE EMBASSY, MOST RECENTLY
APRIL 22, WHEN, I.A., WE DISCUSSED REFTEL A. EMBASSY
PARTICIPATION REGULARLY INCLUDES DCM, E/C MINISTER, AND
COMMERCIAL COUNSELOR; OTHER EMBASSY OFFICERS PARTICIPATE
AS APPROPRIATE FOR AGENDA TOPICS. SUBJECTS COVERED AT
THESE MEETINGS INCLUDE BROAD RANGE OF TOPICS OF SPECIFIC
AND GENERAL INTEREST TO BUSINESS COMMUNITY.

3. OTHER MEETINGS ARE HELD AS SPECIFIC ISSUES WARRANT.
E/C MINISTER HOSTED MEETING AT HIS RESIDENCE BETWEEN ACCJ
MEMBERS AND EMBASSY OFFICERS TO DISCUSS IMPACT OF
LOCKHEED SCANDAL ON AMERICAN FIRMS DOING BUSINESS IN
JAPAN AND OTHER PACIFIC RIM COUNTRIES.

4. EMBASSY OFFICERS ACTIVELY PARTICIPATE IN ACCJ
COMMITTEE MEETINGS. TEN OFFICERS ARE ACTIVE IN
EIGHT CHAMBER COMMITTEES. EMBASSY OFFICERS PARTICI-
PATE IN NUMEROUS CHAMBER SEMINARS AND BRIEFING
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BREAKFASTS HELD FOR VISITING AMERICAN BUSINESSMEN.

5. AMASSADOR, DCM, E/C MINISTER, COMMERCIAL COUNSELOR AND OTHER OFFICERS REGULARLY INVITE CHAMBER MEMBERS TO RECEPTIONS, DINNER PARTIES AND LUNCHEONS. WE MAKE CONSCIOUS EFFORT TO BRING AS MANY AMERICAN BUSINESSMEN AS POSSIBLE IN CONTACT WITH EMBASSY OFFICERS; AND ACCJ DOES THE SAME.

6. EMBASSY REGULARLY GIVES ACCJ COPIES FOR DISSEMINATION TO ITS MEMBERSHIP OF ALL MARKET REPORTS PREPARED BY EMBASSY OFFICERS. WE SOLICIT THEIR ACTIVE HELP IN PREPARING MANY OF THESE REPORTS.
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